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DETAINED REFUGEE STUDENTS

HEREWITH TEXT OF GOS STATEMENT APPEARING IN MAY 10 GOVERNMENT
INFORMATION SERVICES BULLETIN CONCERNING MAY 2 RELEASE OF
DETAINED REFUGEE STUDENTS:

"THE SWAZILAND GOVERNMENT RELEASED 56 SOUTH AFRICAN STUDENT
REFUGEES HELD IN DETENTION IN THE MATSAPA CENTRAL PRISON.
THE STUDENTS' DETENTION FOLLOWS THEIR ENGAGEMENT IN CERTAIN
ACTIVITIES CONTRARY TO THE TERMS OF THEIR ASYLUM AND WITHOUT
THE KNOWLEDGE OR APPROVAL OF THIS COUNTRY'S AUTHORITIES.

"RELEASING THE STUDENTS THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER, DR.
ZONKE KHUMALO, STRONGLY WARNED THE STUDENTS NOT TO ENGAGE
THEMSELVES IN SUCH ACTIVITIES AND PROMISED THAT IN FUTURE
THE GOVERNMENT WOULD BE FORCED TO TAKE DRASTIC STEPS AGAINST
SUCH THINGS.

"EARLY LAST WEEK THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES MR.
PAUL HARTLING SENT A SPECIAL MESSAGE TO THE PRIME MINISTER,
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COLONEL MAPHEVU, APPEALING FOR THE RELEASE OF THE SOUTH
AFRICAN REFUGEES HELD IN DETENTION. IN HIS MESSAGE THE
HIGH COMMISSIONER ALSO PROPOSED TO DISCUSS THE MATTER
WITH THE REFUGEE REPRESENTATIVE TO SWAZILAND, MR. GODFREY
SABITI, WHO IS NOW IN GENEVA FOR BRIEFING ON THE REFUGEES'
PROBLEMS.

"THREE OF THE 56 STUDENTS WILL LEAVE THE COUNTRY SOON FOR
NIGERIA TO FURTHER THEIR STUDIES AND THE OTHERS RETURNED
TO THEIR VARIOUS PLACES IN THE KINGDOM."
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